

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

on December 12, 2002

Date

Signature

*Denise M. Meyer*

Denise M. Meyer

Typed or printed name of person of signing Certificate



# 12/B  
DF  
12/29/02

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Zyzak, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/558,458

Filed: April 25, 2000

For: **FLAVOR ENHANCING OILS**

) Examiner: Leslie A. Wong  
)  
)

) Art Unit: 1761  
)  
)

) Attorney Docket No.: 26416/04844  
)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2002. A petition for a one-month extension for timely response and the appropriate fee has been mailed with this response.

Please Amend the Claims as Follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A flavor-enhancing oil comprising:

- B'
- a) at least one edible liquid oil;
  - b) a matrix-forming material comprising silicon dioxide; and
  - c) a flavor enhancing amount of at least one water soluble particulate flavor enhancer, wherein said water soluble particulate flavor enhancer is dispersed throughout said edible liquid oil.